



LAMAR TO FACE LOBBY PROBERS

Request To Be Heard Granted
by Senate Committee, Lau-
terbach Admits After
Conference.

WALL ST. MAN IS SILENT

Refuses to Discuss Charge That
He Impersonated Prominent
Men in Telephone Talks
with Lawmakers at
Washington.

David Lamar, who figured in the recent sensational testimony before the Senate Lobby Investigating Committee at Washington, arrived in this city last night from Pittsfield, Mass., and was in conference for several hours with Edward Lauterbach, who mentioned Lamar's name in his testimony before the Senate committee.

Lamar had a short conference with Lauterbach at his home, No. 301 West 106th street, early in the evening, and went back for a three-hour conference later. After the conference Mr. Lauterbach said:

"I went over the testimony given before the Lobby Investigating Committee with Mr. Lamar. I cannot further discuss the nature of our conference at this time. I understand that Mr. Lamar has requested a hearing before the committee, and his request has been granted. I do not know, however, when he will appear before the committee."

Mr. Lamar reached his apartment in the Bonaville, No. 562 Riverside Drive, early in the evening. He was alone, and there was a mystery about his return. Every one at the apartment house was positive he was not there. Finally, when his apartment was reached by telephone he curtly replied that he had "nothing to say," and did not care to talk with newspaper men, but as he emerged from the apartment he invited a Tribune reporter to walk along with him, as he "had an engagement."

"Did you come back from the country in order to go to Washington and testify before the lobby investigating committee?" he was asked.

"I have nothing to say about that," he replied, with a smile.

"Have you received a subpoena from the committee?" he was asked.

"Same answer," with a deprecating wave of his hands.

"Did you ever call up Judge Lovett, of the Union Pacific Railroad, and represent to him that you were Congressman Daniel Rorand?" was the next leading question.

"Have to make the same answer," said Mr. Lamar.

"Well, how about the testimony of Congressman Palmer, of Pennsylvania, that some one impersonated him in talking over the phone to Lewis Cass Leary—do you know anything about that?"

"Same answer; can't say a word," Mr. Lamar replied, rubbing his hands together and smiling.

Mr. Lamar was questioned in regard to Mr. Lauterbach's testimony that Lamar was the cause of the break in friendly relations between Lauterbach and the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. He would not even say that Mr. Lauterbach was his friend, though the latter testified that his friendliness with Lamar evidently caused the Morgan firm to look upon him with displeasure.

Paul D. Cravath, of counsel for the Union Pacific, went to Washington yesterday, it was said at his office, and others who were mentioned in the recent turn of the investigation before the lobby committee, including Mr. Leary, George F. Baker and Otto H. Kahn, of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., expect to appear soon as witnesses before the committee, it was said. They refused yesterday to discuss the testimony of

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SULZER IGNORES INQUIRY

His Friends Hold Committee
Can't Investigate Him.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Albany, June 27.—Governor Sulzer treats with contempt the Thompson resolution providing for a legislative investigation into certain of his acts, but he would not discuss it to-day for publication. The contention is made by friends of the Governor that the resolution can confer no additional powers on the Frawley committee, chosen at the regular session to investigate state institutions, on the ground that it was not recommended by the Governor. They call attention to Article IV, Section 4, of the constitution, which provides that "at extraordinary sessions no subject shall be acted on except such as the Governor may recommend for consideration."

It is generally believed here that the Frawley committee will pay no attention to the Governor when it meets, to investigate state institutions. Friends of Mr. Sulzer declare that the purpose of those behind the Thompson resolution was served by its introduction and the publicity that followed.

B. STERN'S AUTO AFIRE

Drygoods Man Has Narrow Escape
on Hempstead Turnpike.

Roslyn, Long Island, June 27.—Benjamin Stern, a member of a New York drygoods firm, had a narrow escape to-night when his \$10,000 automobile was destroyed by fire on the North Hempstead Turnpike.

Mr. Stern and his chauffeur were on their way from New York to their home along the turnpike when the machine ignited from a backfire. They extinguished the blaze by throwing dirt and sand on the fire, but the machine was badly damaged before it was put out.

The car burned to-night makes the second foreign make machine that Mr. Stern has lost within three months. At that time some one stole a \$10,000 automobile, and no trace was ever found if the car nor were the thieves apprehended.

BULGARIA THREATENED BY ANOTHER COALITION

Rumania and Turkey Likely to
Join Serbia and Greece to
Coerce Neighbor.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, June 28.—Fresh complications have arisen in the Balkan situation. Rumania is now reported to have abandoned her attitude of neutrality and decided to support Serbia against Bulgaria in the event of war among the allies. This decision, if true, places Bulgaria in an extremely awkward position. Without a really ally she would be exposed to attack on all sides—by Rumania on the north, Serbia on the west and south, and Greece on the south, and possibly Turkey herself in the east.

TO HOLD "JACK" JOHNSON

Bryan Asks Canada to Prevent
Him from Sailing.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Ottawa, June 28.—It became known here this morning that William J. Bryan, Secretary of State, has requested the Canadian government to detain "Jack" Johnson, the pugilist, now in Montreal. It is understood that the negro will be prevented from sailing on Sunday pending inquiry into the provisions of his bail bond.

SULZER SCARE AT ALBANY

Fleeing Man Thought to Have
Attacked the Governor.

Albany, June 27.—"Police! Catch him! He was after Governor Sulzer!"

These exclamations emanating from one of two breathless men running at top speed down State street hill from the Capitol to-night, threw downtown Albany into excitement for fear the Governor had been the victim of foul play.

It developed, however, that the two men had had an altercation which ended in the flight and pursuit. The police say that when the pursuer realized a crowd was congregating he raised the cry, "He was after the Governor," to distract attention from himself.

Both men were arrested and charged with breaking the peace. In the meantime Governor Sulzer was at the executive mansion quietly enjoying his dinner.

WHAT'S HIS IS STERS

Woman Witness in Suit Against
Ink Plant Says So.

About forty women of Edgewater who are endeavoring to have the Sinclair Valentine Ink Company, in that township, restrained from sending forth pungent and disagreeable odors during the process of manufacturing its writing fluids appeared in Chancery Chambers, in Jersey City, yesterday. Mrs. Miriam Brock was called to the witness stand when former Attorney General Robert H. McCarter, counsel for the ink company, took up the cross-examination.

"Do you own your own home?" inquired Mr. McCarter.

"I do," replied Mrs. Brock.

"Or does your husband own the house?" further inquired the lawyer.

"Yes, my husband owns the house," the witness admitted.

"Then you do not own it?" pursued the attorney.

"No," admitted Mrs. Brock.

"But you said that you did," asserted McCarter.

"Well, I consider that whatever belongs to my husband belongs to me," flared the witness.

The feminine cohorts from Edgewater applauded, aided and abetted by men from the same town.

SIX GUNMEN MAKE 3 QUICK HOLD-UPS

Go Through The Bronx with
Revolvers and Take Money
and Jewelry from Victims
in Crowded Places.

ONE CAPTURED IN 'L' CHASE

Hundred New Haven Passen-
gers See Robbery and Run
After Thieves — Student
Called "Coward" and
Gets a Beating.

A band of six men went through The Bronx late yesterday afternoon, revolvers in hand, and held up and robbed four home-going citizens at three places some distance apart.

One man was arrested after a thrilling chase of several blocks over the Third avenue elevated railroad structure. At Third avenue and 125th street the alleged highwayman dropped the street level, leaped a high fence into a backyard, hurdled other fences and was finally captured by Patrolman Hughes and Detective August Wickman, assisted by a crowd of men and women who had joined in the pursuit.

The prisoner gave his name as Thomas F. Steo, twenty years old, a pedler, of No. 245 West 119th street. A gold chain, valued at \$35, and other jewelry and trinkets were found in his pockets.

Stopped on Bridge Roadway.

Benjamin Aronoff, a piano polisher, of No. 580 East 149th street, and his friend, Samuel Isow, a student of dentistry, were the first victims of the daylight robbers. They were walking across the Willis avenue bridge, in plain view of the Harlem River station of the New Haven Railroad, when the six men, presenting revolvers, ordered them to "Hold up your hands!"

Aronoff thought the men were playing a prank, and he laughed loudly, to show he did not fear their display of firearms. Then the leader of the band grabbed his watch chain. Aronoff turned on his assailant and Isow started to run, but one of the highwaymen tripped him and relieved him of his watch before he could get up.

Two of the men threw Isow against the bridge railing and took his money; about \$15. Then they called him a coward for trying to run away, and beat him with their fists. The robbers walked off, paying no attention to their victim's cries of "Stop thief!"

Passengers Give Chase.

Half a hundred passengers had just alighted from a New Haven train close by, and many of them, hearing the cry, started after the six men. Three of the robbers turned up Willis avenue toward 137th street, and were lost in the street crowds. The others disappeared in the opposite direction.

Aronoff went to the Alexander avenue police station, and was giving in his complaint when Detective Wickman and Policeman Hughes entered with Steo, who was identified by Aronoff as one of the six men who had held him up.

The prisoner's pedigree was being taken when another victim of the highwaymen came into the station house and said that a half hour before a band of six men had robbed him of his money and jewelry in the street. He said Steo looked like one of them.

Ten minutes later Carl Dominico, of No. 477 College avenue, employed on the new Lexington avenue subway, at 123rd street and Southern Boulevard, rushed into the Alexander avenue station and told Sergeant Hickey he had been robbed by six men, who held him up by displaying revolvers. Not satisfied with the amount of money he had, the leader of the band wrenched a silver ring from one of Dominico's fingers.

FATHER TIME THEIR CUPID

Man of Seventy-eight Takes
Wife of Seventy-one.

Two septuagenarians, Katherine Posser, who is seventy-one, and Frank Brill, who is seventy years her senior, announced yesterday that they had been married Monday by the Rev. E. Brezinski, at the parsonage of St. Trinitatis Lutheran Church, Jersey City.

The couple are at the home of the bride, No. 251 Webster avenue, Jersey City. They had been neighbors for many years. Each had been married before.

Brill conducted his courtship in the Pioneer Home for Aged Germans in Jersey City, where Mrs. Posser often called to see him.

MAYOR A SKIN VOLUNTEER

To Help Save Lives of Those
Burned in Buffalo Disaster.

Buffalo, June 27.—Among those who volunteered to-day to part with a portion of their skin to save those burned in the Husted Milling Company disaster was Mayor Louis P. Fuhrmann. In an unofficial way he visited the scene of the explosion, and later made the offer to the physicians. Two women, also, are among the volunteers who will be asked to supply a total of 10,000 square inches of skin.

F. E. Parish, a millwright, died at the Emergency Hospital to-night, making the fifteenth known victim of the explosion. The condition of several of the injured has grown rapidly more critical. The missing list now carries twelve names, nine of whom the police, firemen and company officials feel positive will be found in the ruins.

Player all summer drinks with ANGOS. TUNA BITTERS, best appetizer & tonic. Advt.

FIRE BOATS IN ACTION AT STAPLETON EXPLOSION.

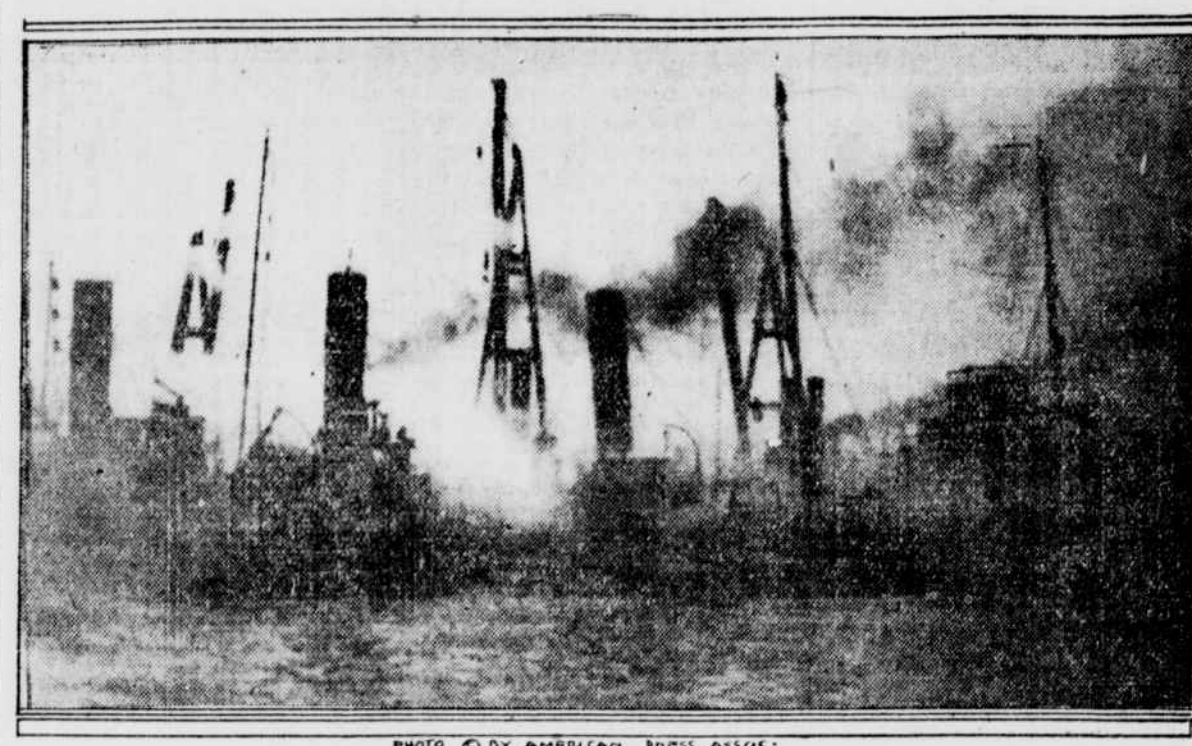


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U. P. ROAD PROBLEM STOPS WILSON TRIP

President Decides to Remain in
Washington to Study Mer-
ger Dissolution Plans.

SPEEDY DECISION NEEDED

Earnest Effort Being Made to
Reach an Agreement in Time
to Prevent a Govern-
ment Receivership.

Washington, June 27.—President Wilson late to-day brushed aside all plans for a week's trip to Cornish, N. H., the summer capital, to examine immediately the tentative agreement reached between Attorney General McReynolds and the railroad attorneys for the dissolution of the Union Pacific merger, to prevent, if possible, the great railroad combination from being thrown into the hands of a receiver.

Unless a method of dismembering the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific satisfactory to the judges of the United States Court for the Eighth Circuit is submitted by July 1, the United States Supreme Court has ordered the dissolution of the merger by government receivership.

An earnest effort is being made by the President and the Attorney General to prevent this drastic alternative by an agreement on a plan adequate to meet the demands of the Sherman antitrust law and the mandate of the Supreme Court. Officials freely predicted to-night that the government and the railroad would present an agreed plan to the court within the time limit, although it was stated that the government's approval, in all probability, would be qualified.

To Exchange B. & O. Stock.

It is understood the agreement will incorporate, as one step in the dissolution, the previously proposed plan for transferring \$28,000,000 of Southern Pacific stock held by the Union Pacific to the Pennsylvania Railroad, in exchange for the latter's holdings of Baltimore & Ohio stock. The remaining \$88,000,000 of the \$116,000,000 Southern Pacific stock owned by the Union Pacific, it is said, will be placed in the hands of a trust company to be sold within a definite time, and in such a manner as to insure that no substantial proportion of the stock will go to the shareholders of the Union Pacific.

So important was the situation regarded that the proposed plan of dissolution was considered at the Cabinet meeting to-day. The President had planned to leave the city at 5:35 p. m., but after studying the intricate question all the afternoon he decided that it would be inexpedient for him to take the plan away with him for examination on the train to New Hampshire, as he had proposed, but that he should remain in Washington for further conferences with the Attorney General.

Paul D. Cravath, counsel for the Union Pacific, held a long conference with the Attorney General this afternoon, and, although he had planned to return to New York to-night, he decided after to-day's developments to remain here until the question is settled.

GIVE UP PERRY FLAG? NO!

Toledo Declines Navy Request
to Surrender Battle Banner.

Toledo, June 27.—Officials of the Toledo Museum of Art refused to-day to deliver to Ensign Lowry, sent from Annapolis by Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department, the Commodore Perry flag bearing the inscription "Don't Give Up the Ship!"

Several weeks ago Secretary Daniels issued an order loaning the flag to the city of Toledo for three months. It was to be the central figure in an art and historic display in connection with the Perry victory centennial celebration, which opens to-morrow, to continue during the summer.

Ensign Lowry bore an order countermanding the loan of the flag to Toledo and instructing him to proceed with it to Erie, Penn., and to place it aboard the Perry flagship, the Niagara.

Late to-night, however, Ensign Lowry received instructions to promise the museum authorities that the flag would be returned in time for the celebration if it were given up without further trouble.

FASSETT BACK FROM TOUR

Says Well Informed Filipinos
Don't Want Independence.

J. Sboat Fassett, former Congressman from New York, who started on a world tour about eight months ago, returned yesterday, accompanied by his family, on the White Star liner Cedric. Among the places he visited was the Philippines, and he was greatly impressed, he said, with the conditions and general method of government in the islands.

"The Philippines are making great advancement under American rule," he declared. "If those persons who are clamoring for Philippine independence would only leave the islands alone the situation would be much better. The United States is handling the Philippines in splendid fashion. In fourteen years she has done more for the Filipinos than England ever did for any of her colonies in all the ages she had controlled foreign peoples. I have been visiting in India, and have learned something of the British rule there."

"The well informed Filipino knows that he is better off just now under the control of the United States, and natives of this class do not want independence."

G. A. W. YOUNG DIVORCED

Decree Against Englishman, an
Operator in Wall Street.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, June 27.—George Archibald W. Young, now operating on the New York Stock Exchange, was divorced by his wife to-day in the High Court of Justice here. Mrs. Young, who is well known in English society, made charges of cruelty and misconduct. She told the court that the year after the marriage, in 1907, her husband began to ill-treat her, used foul language toward her, said the marriage was a mistake, threatened to kill her, and on one occasion whipped her with a riding whip in the stables of his estate in Yorkshire.

She said her husband was wealthy, being a large property owner in Yorkshire. Last July he went to New York, where he has since been operating on the Stock Exchange.

GLENN CURTISS A HERO

In McCormick's Flying Boat He
Takes Two Men Off a Launch.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Hammondsport, N. Y., June 27.—Harold McCormick's big flying boat to-night rescued two occupants of a broken down launch. Glenn Curtiss and C. C. Witmer were flying over Lake Keuka in the boat to test some recent changes and were running for home ahead of a coming thunder shower when, a mile from shore, they noticed a motor boat in which two men were waving wildly.

Curtiss brought the flying boat to the water and stopped near the motor boat. The men said their motor was broken and they wanted some one sent out to tow them ashore. Witmer crawled out on the tail of the flying boat and took a rope from the motor boat, which he held while Curtiss drove the flying boat a mile to the shore.

The motor boat was left there and, taking the men aboard, Curtiss flew back to the Hammondsport.

SHERIFF, HE'S A FIGHTER

Threatens to Thrash Man Who
Insults Him at Ringside.

Sheriff Julius Harburger furnished the real excitement in Madison Square Garden last night after the Rodel-Smith fight by offering to thrash a man almost twice his size. As the Sheriff was leaving his seat at the ringside, the man, who thought the Sheriff had stopped the contest, addressed him in insulting language.

The Sheriff may be old, but he still retains his fighting spirit. With battle light blazing in his eyes he replied to his assailant, and, grabbing him by the lapel of the coat, threatened to arrest him. Then, reconsidering his determination, he invited the man to fight.

"You're a loafer," cried the Sheriff, "to address me in such language. If you were a man I would punch you on the jaw, despite your size!"

A crowd pressed around the men, some cheering the Sheriff on, but all were interested. Harburger repeatedly challenged the man, shaking him violently, but the man would not box.

Buy your FIREWORKS EARLY at the same old original stand, 12 Park Place.—Advt.

THREE DEAD IN OIL SHIP EXPLOSION

Forty-eight Men and Wreckage
Hurled Into Bay as the 8,000-
Ton Tank Steamer Mo-
hawk Blows Up.

SIX HURT; MANY MISSING

Heavy Smoke from Burning
Ship Handicaps Rescuers
in Accident Which
Occurs Off Staten
Island.

The 8,000-ton tank oil steamer Mohawk, belonging to the German-American Petroleum Company, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company, blew up a mile off Stapleton, Staten Island, late yesterday afternoon, hurling most of the crew of thirty men, together with a gang of eighteen ironworkers who were aboard making repairs, into the bay. Several of the men were severely burned, and at least one of them fatally, while the fate of twelve of them was uncertain, as up to a late hour last night they were reported missing. It was said that six of the missing men, including the fourth engineer, were dead in the wreck.

At a late hour three bodies were found. The explosion was caused by the ignition of a fuel tank, containing 4,000 gallons of crude oil for use in the ship's furnaces. Although no definite cause could be found, it was thought to be a lighted match, carelessly thrown either into or near the after tanks by one of the steamfitters.

Engines a Mass of Twisted Steel.

So great was the force of the explosion that it was heard for ten miles. The engines, together with the after decks and tanks of the steamer were turned into a mass of twisted steel. The wreck immediately took fire in a slow burning blaze that poured forth volumes of heavy black smoke, which settled over the surrounding bay and nearby Staten Island.

About fifty boats of various descriptions, many provided with fire fighting apparatus, went to the aid of the ship. They turned their streams upon her, and late at night the vessel was reported as settling heavily by the stern from the tons of water that had been poured into her.

Of the men reported missing only two were definitely known by name. They were Edward Donohue, married, twenty-five years old, a steamfitter, employed by the Atlantic Basin Iron Works, and living at No. 481 Henry street, Brooklyn, and John Donovan, single, twenty-six, a helper to Donohue, living at No. 276 Van Brunt street, Brooklyn.

The injured so far as could be learned were Gustave Elmgren, forty years old, a pipefitter employed by the iron works of No. 51 Dahlgren Place, Brooklyn, burned about the head and body; John Ganz, a steamfitter, twenty-five, of No. 185 2d street, New York, slightly burned; Philip Lepski, an older, thirty-two, living on the ship, burns on the face, head and body; Percy Wayne, a machinist, thirty-one, of Woodlawn avenue, Woodhaven, Long Island, burns; Third Engineer Vandergroff, burns, and Herman Weisman, a machinist, thirty-one, living on the ship, skull fractured by a skylight which was thrown fifty feet in the air, will probably die.

At a late hour the police added the names of Kramer, a machinist, and Larkin, a boilermaker, to the list of missing. Their first names and the addresses are not known.

The explosion came at about 4:30 o'clock, when the Staten Island ferries were filled with passengers. They heard the roar, and then saw men and wreckage hurled into the air, to fall into the bay. Dense masses of black smoke welled up from the vessel as the oil in her tanks took fire.

The Mohawk plied between this port and Tampico, Mex., having a carrying capacity of 30,000 barrels of oil. She arrived from Tampico three days ago, going to the Standard Oil Works at Bayonne, where she discharged her cargo.

Was to Sail This Morning.

She left Bayonne yesterday morning in ballast and was towed to an anchorage off Tompkinsville. It was learned last night that all the way up from Tampico considerable trouble was experienced with her oil burners, which were new. After she was anchored the gang of men from the iron works were sent aboard her in an endeavor to get her ready to sail this morning.

The men were in charge of John Donohue, the foreman, and had been on her only a short time when the explosion came.

The explosion and the clouds of smoke carried the alarm to Tompkinsville, Stapleton and New Brighton, as well as New York and Brooklyn, and immediately a swarm of small pleasure craft, tugboats and fireboats put off to go to her assistance.

When they reached the ship they found more than a score of men floundering or swimming about in the water, many of whom were picked up. Several of the rescue boats made fast to the ship and took off the men who were left aboard.

Twelve Fireboats Fight Flames.

After the work of rescue was carried as far as it could be, twelve fire and other boats fitted with fire-fighting apparatus surrounded her and began to pour their streams into her. The plan adopted was to flood her, so that she

QUEENS POLITICS ABLAZE OVER A "STOLEN WIFE"

Brother-in-Law Sues Borough
President Connolly for Alien-
ation of Affections.

"A PLOT!" CRIES OFFICIAL

District Attorney, Privately
Examining Witnesses for
Plaintiff, Accused as a
Cassidy Supporter.

Queens County politics, always in a surcharged atmosphere, seethed over yesterday when, through the marital troubles of Aloysius G. Halleran, a brother-in-law of Borough President Maurice E. Connolly, two bombshells were exploded in efforts which were characterized by followers of Connolly as an attempt by the forces of Joseph Cassidy, formerly Queens leader, to prevent the Borough President's reelection.

One was the notice of voluntary appearance made by Borough President Connolly in a suit which he said he understood was to be instituted against him by his brother-in-law, in which alienation of the latter's wife's affections will be charged, and damages of \$50,000 asked. Mrs. Halleran is a sister of the Borough President's wife.

Prior to the notice of appearance in John Doe proceedings, the nature of which was not revealed but which were said to have grown out of the Halleran domestic affairs, District Attorney Matthew J. Smith, the only one of the Cassidy ticket to be elected two years ago, was charged with malfeasance in office by Connolly's lawyer.

While the fact was known that Halleran, formerly an inspector in the Borough President's office, a brother of Tax Commissioner John J. Halleran, had been separated from his wife since last March, the warfare between the brothers-in-law and the charges of political trickery did not come to a head until yesterday. Attention first was directed to the complicated situation by the publication of an advertisement offering the furnishings of the Halleran home, at No. 94 Whitestone avenue, Flushing, for sale.

Political Significance.

The political significance to the warring camps, however, was not seen until Samuel Brackner, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boylan and Elmore Reilly, all of Flushing, were subpoenaed by District Attorney Smith to appear before the grand jury in the John Doe inquiry. They answered the subpoenas at the courthouse in Long Island City, only to learn that the grand jury had been adjourned until Monday.

When the Connolly men heard of the subpoenas they discovered that the witnesses were being taken, one at a time, into the District Attorney's offices, at which also were present a stenographer and Robert Price Bell, personal attorney for Halleran in the suit against the Borough President.